Kindred of the whole and the half-blood.

Vol. 31, p. 1343.

SEC. 4. Section 954 of such Act, as amended (D. C. Code, title 25, sec. 245), is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 954. In no case shall there be any distinction between the

Property representa- kindred of the whole- and the half-blood."

SEC. 5. Section 955 of such Act, as amended (D. C. Code, title 25,

sec. 246), is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 955. Whenever those entitled to share in the estate in fee simple in lands, tenements, or hereditaments in the District of Columbia, of an intestate, are all in the same degree of kindred to the intestate, they shall take per capita or by persons; and, where a part of them are dead and a part living, the issue of those dead shall take per stirpes or by stocks the shares of their deceased parents."

Approved, March 6, 1935.

[CHAPTER 29.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

March 7, 1935. [H. J. Res. 94.] [Pub. Res., No. 7.]

Providing for the participation of the United States in the California Pacific International Exposition to be held at San Diego, California, in 1935 and 1936; authorizing an appropriation therefor; and for other purposes.

California Pacific In-ternational Exposition. Appropriation for. Post, pp. 50, 119, 1107, 1110.

Whereas there is to be held at San Diego, California, beginning in May 1935, the California Pacific International Exposition for the purpose of inspiring national confidence and a higher appreciation of American institutions, stimulating business and industry, assisting the Government in bringing a more abundant life to its people, creating understanding among nations, and in commemoration of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific Southwest by Francisco Vasquez De Coronado; and

Whereas said exposition is worthy and deserving of the support and encouragement of the Government of the United States of

America: Therefore, be it

participation in the exposition.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United Foreign nations; par States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and respectfully requested by proclamation or in such manner as he may deem proper to invite all foreign countries and nations to such proposed exposition with a request that they participate therein.

Commission created.

ticipation.

Composition, pose, etc.

Sec. 2. There is hereby established a commission to be known as "The California Pacific International Exposition Commission" and to be composed of the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Secretary of Commerce; which Commission shall serve without additional compensation and shall represent the United States in connection with the holding of an international exposition known as "The California Pacific International Exposition" in San Diego, California, in the year 1935, and continuing into the year 1936.

Appointment of Federal Commissioner.

Sec. 3. There is hereby created a Federal commissioner for the California Pacific International Exposition, such commissioner to be appointed by the President upon the nomination of the Secretary of Agriculture, who shall select for this purpose an official of his ex Department who has had experience in, and is familiar with, the preparation and management of exhibitions, and who will serve in this capacity without additional salary. That the expenses of the Federal commissioner and such staff as he may require will be met out of the funds provided for the purposes of the Government

Qualifications; penses.

SEC. 4. The Commission shall prescribe the duties of the Federal Duties, powers, and commissioner and shall delegate such powers and functions to him as it shall deem advisable, in order that there may be exhibited at the California Pacific International Exposition by the Government of the United States, its executive departments, independent offices, and establishments such articles and materials as illustrate the function and administrative faculty of the Government in the advancement of industry, the arts, and peace, demonstrating the nature of our institutions particularly as regards their adaptation to the wants of the people.

SEC. 5. The commissioner may employ such clerks, stenographers, Employment of personnel. and other assistants as may be necessary and fix their reasonable compensation within the grades and rates of compensation fixed by the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; purchase such material, contract for such labor and other services, and exercise such powers as are delegated to him by the Commission as hereinbefore provided, and in order to facilitate the functioning of his office may subdelegate such powers (authorized or delegated) to officers and

employees as may be deemed advisable by the Commission.

Sec. 6. The heads of the various executive departments and independent offices and establishments of the Government are authorized to cooperate with the commissioner in the procurement, installation, and display of exhibits; to lend to the California Pacific International Exposition, with the knowledge and consent of the commissioner, such articles, specimens, and exhibits which the commissioner shall deem to be in the interest of the United States to place with the science or other exhibits to be shown under the auspices of that corporation; to contract for such labor or other services as shall be deemed necessary, and to designate officials or employees of their departments or branches to assist the commissioner. At the close of the exposition, or when the connection of the Government of the United States therewith ceases, the commissioner shall cause all such property to be returned to the respective departments and branches from which taken, and any expenses incident to the restoration, modi-tion, etc. fication, and revision of such property to a condition which will permit its use at subsequent expositions and fairs, and for the continued employment of personnel necessary to close out the fiscal and other records and prepare the required reports of the participating organizations, may be paid from the appropriation provided; and if the return of such property is not practicable, he may, with the consent of the department or branch from which it was taken, make such when return impracti-disposition thereof as he may deem advisable and account therefor. Cable.

Sec. 7. The sum of \$350,000 is hereby authorized to be appropriation thorized.

Appropriation Appropriation of the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, Post, p. 50. ated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to remain available until expended, of which sum not to exceed the sum of \$125,000 may be expended for the erection of such building struction, rental, etc. or group of buildings, and/or for the rental of such space, as the Commission may deem adequate to carry out effectively the provisions of this resolution; for the decoration of such structure or structures; for the proper maintenance of such buildings, site, and grounds during the period of the exposition. The Commission may contract etc., of buildings, etc. with the California Pacific International Exposition for the designing and erection of such building or buildings and/or for the rental of such space as shall be deemed proper. The remaining portion of the appropriation authorized under this resolution shall be available for the selection, purchase, preparation, assembling, transportation, installation, arrangement, safe-keeping, exhibition, demonstration, and return of such articles and materials as the Commission may decide shall be included in such Government exhibit and in the

Compensation, Vol. 42, p. 1488; Vol. 45, p. 776; Vol. 46, p. 1003. U. S. C., p. 85.

Cooperation of executive departments, etc.

Loan of exhibits.

Return of, at close of

Expenses of restora-

Preparation of re-

General expenses.

Personal services.

Provisos. Salary restriction.

Furniture, stationery, etc.

Advance payments.

Delegation of func-

Allotment of funds to Government offices.

Approval of vouchers; exception.

Audit by General Accounting Office.

Prevailing wage rate for construction work. Vol. 46, p. 1494; U. S. C., p. 1788.

Acceptance of contributions.

Disposal of buildings and property.

exhibits of the California Pacific International Exposition; for the compensation of the employees of the Commission in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, for the payment of salaries of officers and employees of the Government, employed by or detailed for duty with the Commission, and for their actual traveling expenses and subsistence at not to exceed \$6 per day: Provided, That no such official or employee so designated shall receive a salary in excess of the amount which he has been receiving in the department or branch where employed plus such reasonable allowance for subsistence expenses as may be deemed proper by the commissioner; for telephone service, purchase of furniture and equipment, stationery and supplies, typewriting, adding, duplicating, and computing machines, their accessories and repairs, books of reference and periodicals, uniforms, maps, reports, documents, plans, specifications, manuscripts, newspapers and all other publications, ice and drinking water for office purposes: Provided, That payment for telephone service, rents, subscriptions to newspapers and periodicals, and other similar purposes may be made in advance, for the hire of a passenger-carrying automobile, its maintenance, repair, and operation, for the official use of the commissioner, for printing and binding; for entertainment of distinguished visitors, and all other expenses as may be deemed necessary by the Commission to fulfill properly the purposes of this reso-All purchases, expenditures, and disbursements, under any appropriations which may be provided by authority of this resolution, shall be made under the direction of the Commission: Provided, That the Commission, as hereinbefore stipulated, may delegate these powers and functions to the commissioner, and the commissioner, with the consent of the Commission, may subdelegate them: And provided further, That the Commission or its delegated representative may authorize the allotment of funds to any executive department, independent office, or establishment of the Government with the consent of the heads thereof for direct expenditure by said executive department, independent office, or establishment for the purpose of defraying any expenditure which may be incurred by said executive department, independent office, or establishment in executing the duties and functions delegated to said office by the Commission; and all accounts and vouchers covering expenditures under these appropriations shall be approved by the commissioner or such assistants as he may delegate, except for such allotments as may be made to the various executive departments and establishments for direct expenditure; but these provisions shall not be construed to waive the submission of accounts and vouchers to the General Accounting Office for audit or permit any obligations to be incurred in excess of the amount authorized to be appropriated: Provided, That in the construction of buildings or exhibits requiring skilled and unskilled labor, the prevailing rate of wages, as provided in the Act of March 3, 1931, shall be paid.

Sec. 8. The commissioner, with the approval of the Commission, may receive from any source contributions to aid in carrying out the general purposes of this resolution, but the same shall be expended and accounted for in the same manner as any appropriation which may be made under authority of this resolution. The commissioner is also authorized to receive contributions of material, or borrow material or exhibits, to aid in carrying out the general purposes of this resolution; and at the close of the exposition or when the connection of the Government of the United States therewith ceases, shall dispose of any such portion of the material contributed as may be unused, and return such borrowed property; and, under the direction of the Commission, dispose of any buildings

which may have been constructed and account therefor: Provided, That all disposition of materials, property, buildings, and so forth, shall be at public sale to the highest bidder and the proceeds thereof

shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States.

Sec. 9. It shall be the duty of the Commission to transmit to Congress, within six months after the close of the exposition, a detailed statement of all expenditures, and such other reports as may be deemed proper, which reports shall be prepared and arranged with a view to concise statement and convenient reference.

Approved, March 7, 1935.

Proviso By auction sales.

Report to Congress.

[CHAPTER 31.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing and directing the Federal Communications Commission to investigate and report on the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and on all other companies engaged directly or indirectly in telephone communication in interstate commerce, including all companies related to any of these companies through a holding company structure, or otherwise.

March 15, 1935. [S. J. Res. 46.] [Pub. Res., No. 8.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it is necessary, in and Telephone aid of legislation by the Congress and for the use of governmental pany, etc. agencies, including State regulatory commissions, for the information, etc., declared. tion of the general public, as an aid in providing more effective rate regulation, and for other purposes in the public interest, that accurate and comprehensive information be procured and compiled regarding the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and other telephone companies.

Sec. 2. The Federal Communications Commission is hereby author-cations Communications distributions Communications Communications Commission distributions Communications C ized and directed to investigate and report to the Congress on the rected to investigate and report to Congress. following matters with respect to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and all other companies engaged directly or indirectly in telephone communication in interstate commerce, including all of their subsidiary, affiliated, associated, and holding companies, companies, and any other companies in which any of them have any direct or cluded. indirect financial interest, or which have any such interest in them, or in which any of their officers or directors hold any office or exert any control, or whose officers or directors hold any office or exert any control in them-

Subsidiaries, holding

(a) The corporate and financial history, and the capital structure terrelationships, etc. and the relationship of such company and of its subsidiary, affiliated, associated, and holding companies, including the determination of whether or not such structure may enable them to evade State or Federal regulation or taxation, or to conceal, pyramid, or absorb profits, or to do any other act contrary to the public interest.

History, structure, in-

contracts.

With Western Elec-

Equipment, etc.,

(b) The extent and character of intercompany service contracts Service contracts transactions, etc. and all transactions between the telephone companies and their subsidiaries, affiliated, associated, or holding companies, and particularly between the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and with Wester Company. the Western Electric Company and other manufacturers of electrical communication equipment; the methods of publishing telephone directories and placing and charging for advertising therein; the prices. cost of and sale prices of telephone equipment, material, or devices to telephone operating companies or users; the profits upon such sales and the effect of such sales upon the rates or upon the rate base of operating companies when used as a basis for telephone charges in the various States or in interstate commerce; and the probable savings to telephone operating companies and the public by purchasing equipment under a system of competitive bidding.